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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for an appropriate extension of the shortened statutory period for response set by the final Office Action mailed 16 June 2003. Submitted concurrently herewith is a Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of the requisite Petition fee. Please charge any shortage in the fees authorized by the Form PTO-2038 to ATS&K Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (referencing Case No. 520,41238X00).

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